

672 Evening Bulletin.

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# FOOT-BINDING.

At the special session of the Legislature in 1895, it will be remembered, a bill was passed to prohibit foot-binding in these islands. The act proved in the attempt to operate it null and void owing to its loose wording. There was a lot of nonsense spoken and printed when the bill was pending, about social practices among other nationalities alleged to be almost, if not wholly, as pernicious as this one peculiar to the Chinese. Apart from the soundness of the old adage, that two wrongs do not make a right, no practice of civilized society could be cited which would parallel the cruelty of foot-binding. Not only is the pain excruciating as evidenced by the anguished outcries of the subjects, but the fact that these are helpless little girls makes the practice most emphatically outrageous. It ought to be preventable in this country under the law of assault and battery without special legislation. The gratifying intelligence now comes from China of an influential native movement for the abolition of foot binding. Particulars are communicated to the Shanghai Mercury by Alicia Bewicke Little, organizing secretary of a foreign women's society formed eighteen months ago to combat "the thousand-year-old custom of foot binding." This lady relates how the unexpected has happened, in the co-operation of a combination of the Chinese literati. It is all the more remarkable when this class has been held to have been the particular enemies of progress. The walls of the city of Suifu had been placarded with an anti foot binding appeal, signed by a Chinese university honors man and five other literati. "How I should like to call them to net upon their own appeal," was the cynical foreign comment, again met by the information that their little daughters' feet were already unbound, and they themselves bound by a compact among one another, that wherever their daughters should marry the husband and his friends should sign a paper agreeing that no children of the marriage should be bound. Cynicism stood silent at the news. Thus the secretary writes and goes on to tell how the leaders in the movement have been honored by their countrymen for their new departure. The movement is spreading among the learned Chinese of other cities, and it may well be hoped that the barbarous practice will before long be relegated to the shades of unhappy reminiscences.

## TERMS.

Hawaii, so long as she has an established government capable of maintaining law and order, has certainly a right and it is her duty to consider terms of political union with the United States. An Act of Congress reciting merely, "Hawaii is hereby annexed to the United States," which has been suggested as an acceptable means of bringing this country under the Union flag, might produce a confusion of authority tantamount to anarchy. The BULLETIN cannot assent to such a short cut. Its own suggestion of having the United States accede to Hawaii's adoption of the American flag under an independent colonial status, for the initial step toward complete Statehood, would be far better for both sides. It would give us annexation of our own free will when

ever we signified the intention, and leave the formulation of our State constitution for the deliberate consideration of years, if necessary, under conditions of all the security that the stars and stripes, waving over the country, would confer to the local situation. That security would almost certainly result in a rapid development of the islands to a position, commercially and politically, where the United States would be proud to accept them in full and honorable partnership. All danger of clashing authority in this middle ground period would be obviated by the United States Executive being given and receiving the power of disallowance of Hawaiian legislation affecting the relations between the mother country and the colony. An Act of Congress placing Hawaii in such a position, that of being able voluntarily at any time to make its territory American, may easily be imagined to become the key whereby the great Republic might extricate herself from serious difficulties, which are not unlikely to confront her in the near future, regarding other neighboring countries of whose condition and position her foreign policy must always take interested account. The colonial theory here advanced is not one to be pushed to the front as the best outcome of the present situation, but is respectfully submitted to the statesmen of both countries as a better alternative to immediate admission of Hawaii as a State, or at least a home ruled Territory in local concerns—either of which seems by many people to be regarded as presently unattainable—a better alternative to that most desirable consummation than the proposition of bald annexation without a full settlement in advance of the relations to subsist between the annexing country and that annexed.

Japanese papers lament "the utter decadence of Japan's influence in the spheres of politics and commerce alike" in Korea. It is denied that Japan entertains any ambitious designs upon Korea, her principal purpose being, it is declared, to promote commercial relations with that country. Yet figures are given to show a falling off in that respect of more than one half in the business of Japanese merchants in Korea since May last year. One of the papers intimates that Japan has failed through not mingling sweet with bitter in its treatment of Korea. "The contention that a display of force alone is appreciated in Korea," the journal says, "cannot be demonstrated by actual facts, for Russia, without moving a single soldier, has succeeded in bringing Korea completely under her sway." There is more than one lesson, buried not deeply under the surface, for all concerned in the Hawaiian situation, in the foregoing exhibit of Corean affairs.

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani's departure for the United States this morning was the greatest surprise this community has had since that lady's attempt as the sovereign to promulgate a new constitution on January 14, 1896. Every other notable event since that date was partly or fully expected by a considerable proportion of the population.

For the past eleven months the imports of wine were 134,200 gallons, and of sake 183,149. In November they were 12,273 wine and 15,475 sake. The Japanese liquor seems to be more than holding its own, in spite of the differential duty against it.

An article of great interest to the masonic fraternity is printed in this issue. It would indicate a weakening of the Roman Catholic Church in its traditional opposition to free masonry.

## THE COFFEE SITUATION.

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tent. This shows the fairness of Crossman & Co.'s estimate of requirements, viz., 11,500,000 bags, to meet which there is an estimated supply of 14,000,000 bags. Has a 5-cent drop discounted this big yield? Crossman & Co. claim not, and evidently look forward to coffee on a basis of 7 cents for No. 7 Rio in New York, based on former experience with a visible supply of 5,000,000 bags. The outlook for the 1897 '98 crop is favorable for a full average yield. If it should duplicate the supply of 1896-'97, we cannot see how it can fail to foster and maintain an era of cheap coffee. There is certainly no basis in sight upon which to carry forward a full campaign. We have arrived at a time when it is fairly safe to carry liberal stocks, and the lower prices go the safer the operation of buying freely. Based on the actual movement of coffee, the Crossman & Co. circular is a conservative presentation of its situation.

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## MEETING — OF THE — ANNEXATION CLUB.

The Committee appointed by the Annexation Club to draft a Constitution for the Club and appoint a meeting to act upon the same, hereby give notice that a meeting of the Club for this purpose is called for 7:30 o'clock p.m. next Friday at the Drill Shed, on which occasion it is hoped that all parties in favor of annexation will be present.

Per Order of the Committee.  
J. H. FISHER,  
Chairman.  
Dec. 3, 1896. 474-21

## NOTICE.

All tenants and others indebted to Liliuokalani will please take notice that the undersigned has been appointed Agent of her Estate, under full Power of Attorney. Prompt payment of indebtedness is requested.

J. O. CARTER,  
208 Merchant street,  
Honolulu, Dec. 4th, 1896. 475-1m

## Timely Topics

— ON —

## TELESCOPE COFFEE POTS, TEA STRAINERS AND OTHER USEFUL THINGS.

THE TELESCOPE COFFEE POT is constructed with an inner chamber extending one-sixteenth of an inch from the bottom of the Pot, thus preventing any possible escape of the steam and aroma.

### DIRECTIONS

The coffee used should be ground very fine and placed in the inner chamber. Pour boiling water over the coffee, cover and allow to remain on the stove six or seven minutes. When the coffee is made, raise the inner chamber and fasten with the set screw to strain. The clear amber coffee remains in the Coffee Pot ready to serve. The inner chamber may be lifted out if desired.

### POINTS OF EXCELLENCE

1. ECONOMY—It is a coffee saver. In a short time it pays for itself.
2. By using finely ground coffee you are enabled to obtain every particle of strength contained in the coffee.
3. The cloth being stretched tightly across the bottom of the inner chamber to strain the coffee, making a large flat surface, the coffee is strained very readily.
4. The cloth used on the inner chamber being adjustable, it is easy to remove.
5. There is no place in the inner chamber, Coffee Pot or strainer to collect the sediment that may make the coffee muddy.
6. There is no reason why you should not make coffee exactly alike 365 mornings in the year, without the slightest variation.
7. The coffee will keep hot longer, because the Coffee Pot consists of two thicknesses instead of one.
8. You can make one cup of coffee as well and as satisfactorily as a pot full.
9. The inner chamber may be removed and washed, and the clear strained coffee may be saved for lunch.
10. By not subjecting the Coffee Pot to extreme heat it should last a lifetime.

We have these new coffee pots in one, two, three and four quart sizes and sell them at the San Francisco retail price. We have also a fine line of the old fashioned earthenware tea-pots and something new in the shape of improved tea strainers, which are both ornamental and cheap.

We have a full line of kitchen ware in tin and agate.

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Is well manifested in the Shoes we have stocked up with for the season. Here every new shape and style is in evidence. Every new kink that makes a shoe more comfortable or gives it longer life, is found in the foot wear on sale. All the best makes are represented in this mammoth stock.

## The Manufacturers' Shoe Co.,

Exclusive Shoe Dealers.

516 Fort Street,

Honolulu, H. I.



Santa Claus is extremely fond of receiving letters from the little ones. He generally offers a valuable prize of some kind to well behaved children and this year he has notified Wall, Nichols Co., who are to act as his agents here, to offer in his name a beautiful French doll to the Honolulu girl or boy who writes him the most original letter. Any little one under ten years of age may compete for the doll which is sure to be highly prized by the lucky recipient. Now, girls, this is your opportunity. Brush the cobwebs and dust of puzzling questions out of your minds and write the old gentleman a nice letter; something different from anything you have ever written before. You may ask your papas and mammas how to spell the words but the thoughts and good wishes should be all your own.

On honor, now! Letters may be mailed in the letter box at Wall, Nichols Co's store between 9 o'clock next Saturday morning, Nov. 28th, and 12 o'clock noon of December 24th, the day before Christmas.

The doll will be on exhibition in one of their large show windows during the above period. The judges of the merits of the letters received will be decided upon by representatives of the press of Honolulu.

## Take an Outing



SATURDAYS . . . .

— AND —  
. . . . SUNDAYS

Trains will leave at 9:15 A. M. and 1:45 P. M., arriving in Honolulu at 3:11 and 5:55 P. M.

### ROUND TRIP TICKETS:

	1st Class	2d Class
Pearl City.....	\$ 75	\$ 50
Ewa Plantation...	1 00	75
Waianae.....	1 50	1 25

## W.W. DIMOND'S

Christmas is coming on apace and the people with elegant for sight are looking around for suitable gifts for the season. In our stock we have hundreds of articles which are of the ornamental variety and suitable for Christmas gifts. This year we have been careful to select a variety of goods showy and substantial articles for all classes of society. We have no more for the rich than the poor, we cater to the taste of all, and the result has been very satisfactory to us in a business way.

We have a number of statuettes in Parian marble, one of which will be an acquisition to any home. The list comprises: Lady Godiva, Early Struggles, Europa, Robinette, Comus, Ophelia, Apollo as Shepherd Boy, The Sisters, Maidenhood, Venus de Medici, The French Model, Diana Abandoned. These are of good size for the table or center piece on a mantel.

Another neat gift is a cup and saucer in Crown Derby. These are entirely new here and of beautiful design and quality. We have also some rich and elegant articles in Royal Worcester and Solid Silver ware, a glance at our windows will give you an idea of the excellence of the assortment.

A number of articles in bric-a-brac and glass vases, crockery and glassware are selected for general use, and will make acceptable presents.

*W. W. Dimond*

Von Holt Building.

## Lots Near Kapiolani Park!

### FOR SALE.

There are over 1000 lots for sale, 50x100 feet, mauka of Kapiolani Park, adjoining the residence of Messrs. C. Brown, H. J. Nolte, Thomas Hollinger and others. These lots will be sold cheaper than any place in Honolulu since the reign of Kamehameha III. Water will be laid on as soon as buyers are ready to build. Prices are ranging from \$100.00 per lot to \$50.00. This is the best opportunity to get a home. For further particulars apply to W. C. ACHI & CO., Real Estate Brokers, Honolulu, Nov. 25, 1896. 472-1m

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